MEMORIAL AND JOINT RESOLUTION

IN RELATION TO PAYING THE SOLDIERS AND SAILORS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN GOLD AND PAPER AT THE TIME OF THE SEVERAL PAYMENTS DURING THE WAR OF REBELLION.

Whereas, The soldiers in enlisting in the United States service to put down the rebellion
were promised their pay in coin, after the first payment was paid in depreciated paper; and,
Whereas, The banker and bondholders were promised their pay in depreciated paper and
got it in gold; and,

WHEREAS, The pensioned soldiers, their widows and orphans are still paid their pittance 2 in paper and the banker and bondholders are still paid in gold; and,

WHEREAS, We believe it is about time that the gallant musket-holders were put on a par with the banker and bondholders in the kind of pay they receive; therefore,

Resolved, That our Senators and Representatives in Congress be urgently requested to

vote for the bill lately introduced into the lower house of Congress by Gen. J. B. Weaver, to

- 3 set apart and appropriate 300,000,000 dollars to pay the soldiers and sailors, their widows
- 2 and orphans, the difference between gold and the depreciated paper they received on the
- 3 date of the several payments.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions duly signed and attested be forwarded to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress by the Secretary of State, for their infor-

3 mation.